

Chief, Foreign Intelligence, DD/P

Director of Communications

PAMM Automatic Keying Device

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum, above subject, dated 24 January 1955

1. Your interest and comments expressed in the subject memorandum are very much appreciated by this office. Your recommendation that the PAMM and ET-2 keyer be assigned Priority I has been given careful consideration.

2. A review of the status of the PAMM keyer reveals that the Air Force, who sponsored procurement of the earlier models described in our Quarterly reports, has turned over its program to the Signal Corps for continued development of the keyer. The Signal Corps has also received requirements for this device from the Psychological Warfare Division of the Army in connection with the development of the AN/TRC-37 radio set. This project as a whole carries the Department of Defense priority of IA.

3. The Signal Corps is not yet willing to commit itself as to when early developmental models will become available. When this information becomes known, it will be forwarded to you.

4. While the ET-2 keyer carries the lower Class II priority, its progress is not affected since its development is already underway through a private contractor. The priorities which are established by our Research, Development and Production Review Board in the main govern projects which are being engineered for contract or are being developed in our own laboratory.

5. The Research, Development and Production Review Board has reviewed the priorities established for these projects and feels that since the development time will be unaffected, they should remain as established. Additional information regarding delivery dates for this equipment will be forwarded to you as it is received. Please feel free to contact this office if any further information is desired.

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